

April 10, 2014

CON Board Meeting

Pizza Ranch, Hartford, SD

Board members present: Loretta Waltner, Doug Nickel, Dorine Bennett, Carly Wettlaufer

Other adults present: Diane Nickel

Secretary's Report was approved as read

Treasurer's Report was approved as read

Old Business

- Steer Daubing Clinic – Nothing new at this time.
- Special Event Update – ApHC show approval was submitted and the show is listed on the ApHC website. The hotel rooms have been reserved (free with sponsorship from AmericInn) with the confirmation numbers sent to the judges along with copy of showbill.
- Sioux Empire Fair Update – This is the 75th anniversary of the Fair. Tom Crowley will be one of the judges; other judge pending.
- Ranch horse pleasure and ranch horse trail classes will be held at both the Special Event and the Sioux Empire Fair shows. Discussed giving circuit champion awards for these classes using results from both shows. Carly talked to Dean Foster (Western Horse Company, Ltd.) about possible donation or discount on tack. It was suggested that we should follow up with him about it. (www.westernhorseco.com)
- Trail ride update (see the notes at the end of these minutes) – Carly talked to Casey Wilson about joining the trail ride and providing entertainment (guitar/singing) on Saturday evening. His usual fee is \$150, but it was suggested that perhaps we could pay his trail riding expenses and host his lodging as a benefit to him to reduce cost and/or pass the hat to collect donations to help pay him. Dorine will talk to him again next week. Please be sure to make your reservation. Carly will work on making a flyer about the trail ride that can be distributed.
- Distribution of "Have Fun with CON ApHC" flyers – The flyers were posted on bulletin boards at the Tri-State Horse Expo. Dorine posted it on the South Dakota 4-H Facebook page and the CON ApHC Facebook page. It was suggested that perhaps Lori could send it to the 4-H leader contact person that was sent the 4-H prize information and ask for distribution to 4-H clubs.
- Stud books on Ebay – There has been one offer of \$50 for Vol 3-5. It was decided to leave them as the set on Ebay for awhile longer.

New Business

- Letter from SD Horse Council – Dorine received a letter from the SD Horse Council announcing their meeting will be on Saturday, April 12. Doug will be attending the meeting. Dorine made a motion to pay the \$50 dues for 2014 for the CON ApHC, Carly seconded, motion passed. It was

suggested that perhaps the SD Horse Council should add a place on their website for links to the websites of members.

- Cross approval of Nebraska shows – The Nebraska Appaloosa Club has approved the Sioux Empire Fair for their club points for year end awards. Dorine made a motion that we approve the 2nd weekend of the “Think Pink” shows (May 30 – June 1) for our club points, Carly seconded, motion passed.
- Approval of Pride of Prairie shows – Loretta made a motion to approve the Pride of the Prairie show on June 14 for our club points, Doug seconded, motion passed. Dorine will write to Ann Hein to let her know that we will support their show.
- Recognizing FPD horses at the shows – It was suggested that we announce the horses that are FPD registered when we are announcing class results.
- Recognizing FPD horses for CON ApHC awards – Dorine made a motion that we add a year-end award for the overall high point FPD horse, Doug seconded, motion passed. This award will go to the horse with FPD papers that earns the most club points in all classes combined.
- Collecting non-perishable goods at the CON ApHC events to be donated for a food pantry – Carly made a motion that we ask people to bring non-perishable goods to the steer daubing clinic, trail ride and special event show, Doug seconded, motion passed. A decision about which food pantry should receive the donations will be made later. It was noted this would be good to put in the scrapbook as a community service activity.

Things of Note

- Doug suggested that perhaps we should make an informational brochure about the CON ApHC that could be handed out at the Sioux Empire Fair or other events.
- A Shutterfly account was established so that we could all post our horse and CON ApHC pictures. The login is CONappaloosa@gmail.com and the password is Likespots. If inappropriate pictures are noted they will be removed and if it becomes a problem, the password will be changed and kept confidential.
- The CON ApHC banner is here to be used to help promote the club. Carly was complimented on the design of the banner.
- The CON ApHC’s website (www.conappclub.com) has our newsletters and other information on it. It is a good resource to share with anyone interested or potential members.
- Dorine said that she emails the newsletters to all regional club contacts listed on the ApHC website for Minnesota, ND, SD, Iowa, and Nebraska, as well as multiple other people (i.e., trainers, breeders, frequent participants, etc.) in addition to the members. It is also sent to the Appaloosa Journal and the marketing and regional club staff people at ApHC. Everyone is encouraged to share the newsletters with people who they think may be interested.
- The CON ApHC facebook is another information site for the club. Carly announced that she has created a new FB site that is a “page” instead of a “person” type of account. That will make it easier to manage. A notice has been posted on the old facebook site asking people to “like” our new page; the old site will be discontinued in the future. New postings will be made on the new

page. Carly and Dorine are current administrators of the new page and other board members can be added if you want.

- Loretta shared information about the plans for a buckle commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Chief Joseph Trail Ride. (see picture) She also shared information about a fundraising project that will raise money to be used to help support Nez Perce youth who want to ride on the Chief Joseph Trail Ride. They are selling prints of a painting called Nez Perce Women for \$60 + shipping and a print on canvas for \$280 + shipping. (see picture) Loretta can be contacted for more information or to order. It was suggested that information should be placed in the newsletter. Loretta mentioned that in the future they may continue to raise money using artwork and widen the eligibility for recipients to more youth.



The next meeting will be on June 14th at the Steer Daubing Clinic. At this time, agenda topics will include more plans for the trail ride.

Adjournment

- Carly made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Doug, motion passed.

**CON Trail Ride
July 12 - 13, 2014
Turkey Creek Ranch
Newcastle NE**

For those that wish to camp on Friday night lets get together a pot luck, drinks and some laughter.

Saturday July 12th

Be ready to ride by 9:30 for a morning ride. There may be 2 groups going out depending on the ability of horses and riders. We can all start together and make a small easy lope that the kids and green horses can enjoy. Then if riders want to ride more we will continue on.

Saturday afternoon 3:00PM Trail Challenge . Good fun for all trying different trail obstacles. Easy ones for the kids too, something for everyone to enjoy. If there are some people who want to go out on the trail again, that is fine.

Sat evening Kids scavenger hunt. Adults will have fun watching and having some talk time.

I have found someone to cater the meal. My friend Patt Feming is planning to come to the ride and she cooks for group events. (She has a boy about the same age as our CON girls that will be there).

She will provide us an evening meal on Saturday and a breakfast on Sunday. Cost is \$14 for adults, \$5 for kids. We just need to have a deadline for signup so she has an approximate count.

Sunday July 13th

Breakfast

Ride at 9:00 or earlier if we want to.

Let me know what you think of this. Open to any input.